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USSR, Poland, and Czechoslovakia

FDD Abstract of [REDACTED]

INDUSTRIAL INFORMATION; 104 pages, 1 map, 2 charts; Russian, Polish; date of document: 1946-1949.

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The document consists of 10 different reports as follows:

a. Soviet Heavy Industries

One report gives prewar and postwar figures for the consumption of limestone and other fluxes in the metallurgical industry of the USSR, by regions and individual plants. Prewar data are based on official statistics, while postwar figures are based on comparative data in connection with production increases. The limestone industry is unable to meet present demands in metallurgy.

The other paper describes difficulties in obtaining coking coal in the Far East. West Sakhalin coal is mentioned as a possible future source. Neither Karaganda nor Kizel basin coal is particularly suitable for coking. Problems of coke industry in Transcaucasia are briefly mentioned. The coke industry is at present unable to meet requirements of metallurgical industry.

b. The Joachimov Uranium Mines, February 1949

This report [REDACTED] contains descriptions of various uranium mines in Czechoslovakia and Eastern Germany. Number of mine workers on Czechoslovak territory are estimated at 12,000; the 24-hour output of ore per mine is estimated at 1,000 tons (in Joachimsthal area alone).

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c. Oil Wells in the Odessa Region, Summer 1948

Title of report is inaccurate, since it describes petroleum installations at the port of Odessa, i.e., storage installations, partially underground, with indicated capacity and the petroleum refinery with modern equipment and possible refining capacity of 90,000-110,000 tons of crude petroleum per year. Petroleum is shipped from Baku to Batumi and from there to Odessa, from where it is supplied to southern Ukraine. Railroad sidings and pipe line connections are briefly discussed.

d. The New Vladivostok Railway Lines, 25 January 1948

Information as of 1941-1945. Four handwritten pages concerning installations in Far East, including airfield near Razdol'noye, Primorskiy Concentration Camp, submarine bases, Dal'lager' (Camp) between Khabarovsk and Komsomol'sk, railroad construction in the Vladivostok area and elsewhere.

e. Factory No 172 at Molotov

Basic products of this plant is naval and field artillery. The report describes the metallurgical laboratory work in progress, gives the name of the plant director, evaluates his abilities, and indicates brief history of his professional activities. Information as of summer 1949.

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f. Soviet Coal Industry, 1946

As of 1946 central organization of coal industry consisted of 27 departments. There were 14 main administrations.

g. Polish Heavy Industry, Autumn 1948

November 1948 status of Zaklady Poludniowe (Southern Enterprises), steel mill and armaments plant in Stalowa Wola, Poland. Five pages cover historical background, plant installations and production data. Two more pages list installations indicated on two charts.

h. Soviet Ministries of Industry

Report deals entirely with coal industry, and dates back to period before unification of Ministry of Coal Industry for the Eastern Regions and Ministry of Coal Industry for the Western Regions. The chief USSR coal basins with their subordinate coal areas and the coal combines with their subordinate trusts are listed, but some areas are assigned to the wrong basin and several trusts are assigned to the wrong combine.

i. High Tension Power Lines of the USSR, Autumn 1948

Detailed physical and geographical description of section of planned Nizhnyaya Sileziya-Varshava high tension line located in Poland. The report gives date when line is to be put into operation and the progress of the unfinished part of line.

j. Electric Power Plants of the USSR

Summary of conditions in the Soviet electric power industry before, during, and after World War II. Tables give lists of electric power systems and centers with rated and/or operating capacity of stations in systems; electric power consumers according to system, sometimes with specific consumption of individual consumer; main indexes for the development of electrification in the USSR during 1940-1950 (including percentage and plan figures).

It appears that most of these reports give a detailed description on the part of the various eyewitnesses and include postwar information. However, item (j) contains mainly information which is already available in Industrial Register, OCD. A document almost identical to item (g) in Russian [REDACTED] was translated under Project [REDACTED] 25X1A

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